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(Summary: No further Text possible) Washington — The House of Representatives by a majority vote of (three hundred forty-ceven?) votes against four approved the bill granting broader powers to the Central Intelligence igency. The leaders of Congress refused to (reveal the contents?) of the separate articles of the bill, claiming that a detailed (analysis?) would be contrary to the country's interests.

Vito Marcantonio, representing the labor party of New York State, protested against the attempts to conceal the (contents?) of the bill from the public. However, the leaders of the House ignored Marcantonio's (protests?). The House Republican Leader Martin of Massachusetts, who told a press conference on March six that he would vote against the bill if the government failed to explain the reason for such secrecy, on March seven voted for the bill.

Another member speaking on behalf of the Democratic leadership defended the article of the bill which permits the Central Intelligence Agency to bring one hundred immigrants into the United States every year to help American intelligence. He stated that this article is necessary to guarantee the safety of those persons from Eastern Europe who are helping the United States.

Marcantonic and the Democrat (Celler?) of New York, Dawson of Utah and Morris of Oklahoma voted against the bill, which now goes to the Senate.

The House of Representatives on March seven also approved a bill creating the post of Deputy Secretary of Defense. (082200)

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